

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings, and versions, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
 delivering messages in a network comprising at least one terminal device,
wherein delivering messages comprises:
 generating a message,
 setting a condition for receiving said message,
 deciding whether said message is to be received by a terminal device on the basis
of said condition,
 transmitting said message to said terminal device on the basis of a result of the
deciding whether said message is to be received,
 deciding whether an originator of said message is allowed to receive a delivery
report by referring to a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery
reports, and
 transmitting said delivery report to the originator of said message only in case
said originator of said message is on said list of originators allowed,
 ~~wherein a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery
reports is stored in a database.~~

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the condition is set
by a terminal device.

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said condition is a
location of said terminal device.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising
including information regarding said condition in an optional field of said message.

5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising determining said terminal device as being inactive or busy in case it is decided that said condition is not met.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising defining a group of users which are allowed to receive delivery reports, wherein in said deciding whether said message is to be received it is detected whether the originator of said received message is a member of said group of users.

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 8, further comprising adding a group identifier identifying said group of users to said message.

10. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said message is a multimedia message.

11. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said network is a mobile network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.

12. (Currently Amended) A network system configured to deliver messages in a network, comprising
a message delivering device; and
a terminal device; wherein
said message delivering device comprises a deciding unit configured to decide whether a message is to be received by said terminal device on the basis of a condition for receiving said message, and a transmitting unit configured to transmit said message on the basis of a deciding result of said deciding unit to said terminal device,

wherein said terminal device further comprises

a judging unit configured to judge whether a delivery report is to be transmitted or not in response to receiving said message by referring to a database in which a list of originators of messages is stored which are allowed to receive delivery reports; and

a transmitting unit configured to transmit said delivery report in case said judging unit means judges that the originator of said message is on said list of originators ~~said delivery report is to be transmitted, and~~

~~—— a database in which a list of originators of messages is stored which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said judging means.~~

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, further comprising a setting unit configured to set a condition for receiving a message by said terminal device.

15. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said condition is the location of said terminal device.

16. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said message comprises an optional field in which information regarding said condition is included.

17. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said message delivering device further comprises a determining unit configured to determine said terminal device as not being reachable in case said deciding means decides that said condition is not met.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein a group of users are defined which are allowed to receive delivery reports, and

said judging unit is configured to detect whether the originator of said received message is a member of said group of users.

21. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 20, wherein said group identifier identifying said group of users is added to said message.

~~22.21.~~ (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 12, wherein said message is a multimedia message.

~~23.22.~~ (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said network is a mobile network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.

24 - 34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended) A terminal device configured to receive a message for which a condition for receiving said message is set for use in network, comprising

a receiving unit configured to receive said message;

a judging unit configured to judge whether a delivery report is to be transmitted or not in response to receiving said message by referring to a database in which a list of originators of messages is stored which are allowed to receive delivery reports; and

a transmitting unit configured to transmit said delivery report in case said judging unit means judges that the originator of said message is on said list of originators ~~said delivery report is to be transmitted, and~~

~~— a database in which a list of originators of messages is stored which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said judging means.~~

36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously Presented) The terminal device according to claim 35, wherein said condition is the location of said terminal device.

38. (Previously Presented) The terminal device according to claim 35, wherein said message is a multimedia message.

39. (Previously Presented) The terminal device according to claim 35, wherein said network is a mobile network and said terminal device is a mobile terminal device.

40. (Currently Amended) A network system for delivering messages in a network, comprising

a message delivering device; and

a terminal device; wherein

said message delivering device comprises means for deciding whether a message is to be received by said terminal device on the basis of a condition for receiving said message, and means for transmitting said message on the basis of a deciding result of said means for deciding to said terminal device,

wherein said terminal device further comprises

means for judging whether a delivery report is to be transmitted or not in response to receiving said message;

means for storing a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said means for judging; and

means for transmitting said delivery report in case said means for judging judges that said delivery report is to be transmitted; and

~~means for storing a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said means for judging.~~

41. (Currently Amended) A terminal device for receiving a message for which a condition for receiving said message is set for use in network, comprising

means for receiving said message;

means for judging whether a delivery report is to be transmitted or not in response to receiving said message;

means for storing a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said means for judging; and

means for transmitting said delivery report in case said judging means judges that said delivery report is to be transmitted; ~~and~~

~~———means for storing a list of originators of messages which are allowed to receive delivery reports and which is accessed by said judging means.~~